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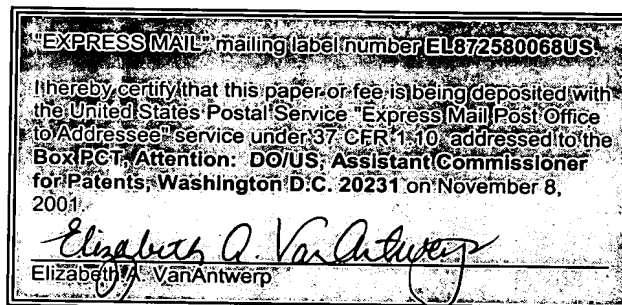
LITHIUM SECONDARY BATTERY

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

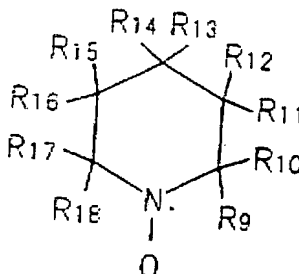
Prior to examination, Applicants wish to amend the subject application as follows:

In the Claims:

Please rewrite claims 12, 25 and 26 as follows:

12. (Amended) A lithium secondary battery according to claim 1, wherein said cyclic compound containing a N-O radical in a molecular structure is a compound having a molecular structure shown by the following general formula (II);

General formula (II):

(R₉ - R₁₈: a hydrogen radical, a hydrocarbon radical, or a cyano radical).